10. AL-MUTAKABBIR (THE GREATEST)

"True greatness is to be humble when you have the power to be arrogant. This is how we reflect the attribute of Allah, who in His greatness shows kindness to the smallest of creatures."

- Ibrahim ibn Adham (718-782 CE)
Source: Recorded in Al-Sulami's "Tabaqat al-Sufiyya"

The constant reciter of this Name of Allah will be granted honor and dignity. If read excessively before any task, it will be accomplished, Insha Allah - Al Hisnul Hasin

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The Most Beautiful Names of Allah ﷻ

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AL-MUTAKABBIR ﷻ (THE GREATEST ﷻ)

1.) Imaam Ghazaali ﷺ says, “Al-Mutakabbir is that Being who sees all others as small in relation to himself. He only sees grandeur and greatness in himself. He looks at others just as a king looks towards his servants. If this feeling is correct, the person is worthy of being called Mutakabbir. This quality can only be found in the Being of Allaah ﷻ. If this feeling of greatness and grandeur is false, then this quality is evil and erroneous. Whoever feels that greatness is for himself, then this feeling is false and incorrect; since this can be found in none other than Allaah ﷻ.

2.) Imaam Khattaabi ﷺ states: “Al-Mutakabbir ﷻ is He who is far above the qualities of the creation.” Another definition that is also mentioned is, “He ﷻ is that Being who exhibits His greatness on His disobedient servants when they try to contest Him in the quality of greatness.”

3.) Qurtubi ﷺ has mentioned, “Al-Mutakabbir ﷻ is He who is great in His act of sustaining, nothing is similar to Him.”
4.) Another view is, “He ﷻ is free from all evil, far above the qualities of created beings and dispraise which are not suited to Him.”
In short, the meaning of Al-Mutakabbir ﷻ is:
1.) The Being who is far above any evil, wickedness and oppression.
2.) The Being who is far above and free from the qualities of creation. Nothing is similar to Him.
3.) The Being who is full of greatness and exaltedness. Everything in the presence of His exaltedness is small and insignificant.
4) The Being for whom there is complete ruler ship and power in the heavens and earth.